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Political Declaration and International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

Report of the Main Committee

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A. Organization of work

1. At its 1st plenary meeting, on 8 April 2002, the World Assembly approved the agenda and organization of its work (A/CONF.197/1) and decided to allocate agenda item 9 (Political Declaration and International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002) to the Main Committee, which was to submit its recommendations to the Assembly.

2. The Main Committee held ___ meetings, from 8 to ___ April 2002. It also held a number of informal meetings in two working groups.

3. The Main Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Addenda to the report of the Commission for Social Development acting as the preparatory committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing on the work of its second session, containing the draft political declaration and agreed amendments thereto (A/CONF.197/3/Add.1 and 4);

(b) Addenda to the report of the Commission for Social Development acting as the preparatory committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing on the work of its second session, containing the draft international plan of action on ageing, 2002 and agreed amendments thereto (A/CONF.197/3/Add.2, 3 and 5).

4. The Chairman of the Main Committee was Felipe Paolillo (Uruguay), who was elected by acclamation at the 1st plenary meeting of the Assembly on 8 April.

5. The Main Committee, at its 1st and ___ meetings, on 8 and ___ April, elected the following officers by acclamation:

Vice-Chairmen:
Aicha **Afifi** (Morocco)
Maria José **Carrilho** (Portugal)
Ivana **Grollová** (Czech Republic)

Ms. Grollová also served as Rapporteur of the Main Committee.

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6. Also at its 1st meeting, the Main Committee established two Working Groups and designated Aicha Afifi (Morocco) Chairperson of Working Group I, which considered the draft international plan of action on ageing, 2002. The Chairman of the Main Committee chaired Working Group II, which considered the draft political declaration.